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SUBJECT: UN STATEMENT ON HORN - ETHIOPIAN REPLY

SUMMARY: UN PRESS RELEASE EXPRESSED CONCERN OVER
BOTH ETHIO-SOMALI WAR AND ALLEGATIONS OF OUTSIDE
INVOLVEMENT IN WAR. IT APPEALED FOR CEASEFIRE AND
NEGOTIATIONS. SUBSEQUENT ETHIOPIAN RELEASE STATED
SOLUTION MUST BE SOUGHT WITHIN ORGANIZATION OF AFRICAN
UNITY (OAU) FRAMEWORK AND THAT CEASEFIRE OR NEGOTIATIONS
COULD NOT TAKE PLACE UNTIL FORCES OF AGGRESSION
WITHDRAWN FROM ETHIOPIA. END SUMMARY

1. IN SEPTEMBER 30 RELEASE AUTHORIZED BY SECRETARY
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GENERAL WALDHIEM, UN SPOKESMAN NOTED SYG'S DEEP CON-
CERN OVER "GROWING TENSION BETWEEN ETHIOPIA AND
SOMALIA INVOLVING EXTENSIVE HOSTILITIES" IN OGADEN. SYG NOTED
WITH REGRET THAT DESPITE OAU EFFORTS, CONFLICT HAD NOT BEEN
RESOLVED, BUT ON THE CONTRARY, FIGHTING HAD SPREAD AND
ALLEGATIONS HAVE BEEN MADE OF INTERFERENCE FROM "OUTSIDE THE AREA".
ACCORDINGLY, SGY HAD PURSUED MATTER PERSONALLY WITH EPMG AND

GSDR FOREIGN MINISTERS DURING PAST FEW DAYS. SYG HAD EXPRESSED CONCERN AT POTENTIAL THREAT TO INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND SECURITY WHICH COULD BE POSED BY EXPANSION OF CONFLICT AND APPEALED FOR CEASEFIRE AND NEGOTIATIONS.

2. ETHIOPIAN RELEASE OF OCTOBER 1 EXPRESSED SURPRISE AT SOME POINTS MADE IN UN RELEASE. IT NOTED THAT WHILE UN RELEASE ACKNOWLEDGED SOMALI AGGRESSION IN OGADEN (SIC), IT SUGGESTED A CIRCUMSCRIPTION OF ETHIOPIA'S RIGHT TO LEGITIMATE SELF-DEFENSE. ETHIOPIAN RELEASE STATED CONFLICT IS AFRICAN PROBLEM, SOLUTION MUST BE SOUGHT WITHIN OAU FRAMEWORK, OAU HAD TAKEN SIGNIFICANT STEPS TO RESOLVE CONFLICT, AND ETHIOPIA HAD FULL CONFIDENCE IN OAU'S EFFICACY.

3. ETHIOPIAN RELEASE CONTINUED BY STATING "THERE CAN BE NO CEASEFIRE OR NEGOTIATION UNTIL FORCES OF AGGRESSION COMPLETELY WITHDRAWN FROM ETHIOPIAN TERRITORY" AND THAT SOMALIA AS AGGRESSOR COULD ENHANCE PROSPECTS FOR PEACE BY TERMINATING WAR OF AGGRESSION, WITHDRAWING ITS TROOPS, AND ABANDONING ITS EXPANSIONIST DESIGNS.

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